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Living Legends

Living the good life

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Jennie Spottedhorse-Curtis laughs and smiles as she shares memories of her life.

"I have lived a good life and that's what I have always wanted for my children … the good life," Curtis said.

Curtis, an Arapaho tribal member, was born Feb. 19, 1927 in her home in Colony, Okla. Curtis's parents are Armstrong Spottedhorse and Susie Bull-Birdshead and she grew up with nine siblings.

"Dad farmed and mom canned all our food and she always had a baby … they loved us all so much and we had a good life," Curtis said.

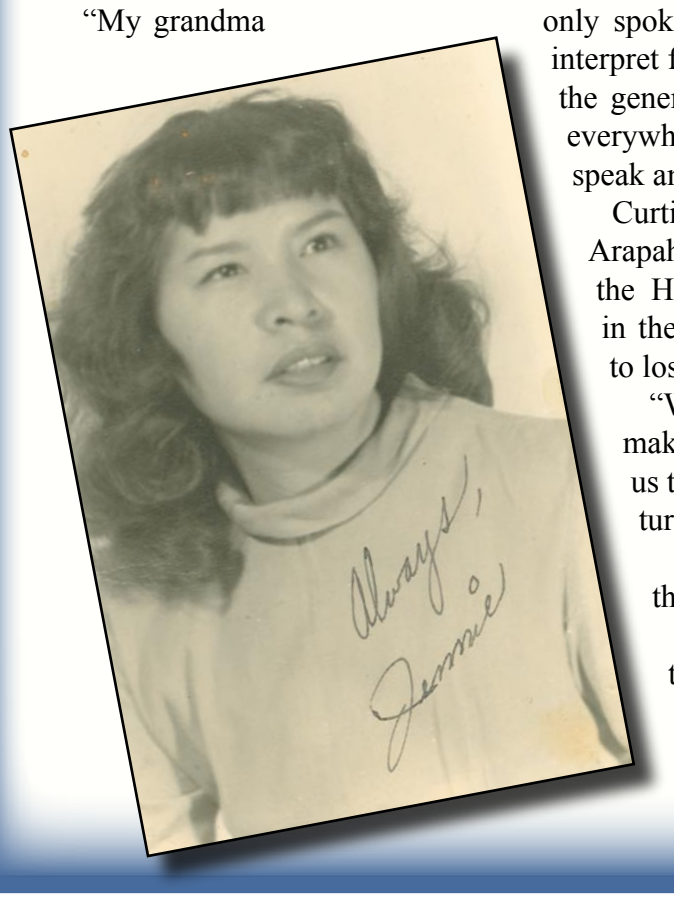
Curtis's fondest memory was getting to spend time with her grandma in Carlton, Okla.

"I loved being with grandma and staying with her, she let us do anything we wanted to. She lived in a teepee with an arbor around it and I just loved being there with grandma Traveler … better than staying in my own home," Curtis said.

Photo by Rosemary Stephens
Jennie Curtis, 83 years old

Curtis would go everywhere with her grandmother.

"My grandma only spoke Arapaho and I would interpret for her at the bank and at the general store, so I would go everywhere with her. She didn't speak any English," Curtis said.



Curtis said she, too, spoke Arapaho but when she went to the Haskell Boarding School in the ninth grade, she began to lose her language and spoke more and more English.

"We used to swim in the north Canadian River, helped grandma cut willows to make shade and walk through the woods where my grandma would pick berries for us to eat and she would dig up these little onions for us to eat and she would fix us turtle soup … I'd rather be with my grandmother than anyone else," Curtis said.

She said her grandmother would tell them stories at night about the stars and the moon until they fell asleep.

Curtis said they traveled in a covered wagon as their means of transportation.

"It would take us awhile to get anywhere, but I could run along side the wagon with my brothers and sisters and we could play so it was really fun,"

*See **living the good life**, page 11*

Casino celebrates renovation grand opening

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Lt. Gov. Leslie Harjo (l) and Gov. Janice Boswell (r) officially cut the ribbon to open the newly renovated Feather Warrior-Canton Casino.

There are more games to play, more room to roam and more entertainment to enjoy at the newly renovated Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Feather Warrior-Canton Casino.

On May 13, 2010 Gov. Janice Boswell and Lt. Gov. Leslie Harjo officially cut the red ribbon signifying the grand opening of the new Feather Warrior Casino in Canton, Okla.

"We had a three month deadline to get this project completed and we were ahead of that deadline by two days," Chester Whiteman, Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' economic development, director, said. "Gov. Boswell gave us a challenge and everyone in my crew rose up to meet that challenge."

Whiteman said over 67 tribal employees worked on the expansion project and he was proud of his entire crew for their dedication.

"We really got tested because every obstacle in construction that could have happened … happened," Whiteman said. "Our motto throughout this project has been, we can, we can."

Gloria Smith, Feather Warrior Casinos, general manager, said with 10,000 square feet of more room and an additional 200 games over the existing 145 games, customers have more to choose from.

"The Walleye Rodeo is going on this weekend and we really wanted to be opened in time for that," Smith said. "We are going to have free play, concerts, and giveaways all weekend long to celebrate the rodeo and the grand opening."

Architect for the renovation was Ed Bishop, owner of EGB Architects in Oklahoma City, Okla.

"We were drawing floor plans as we went as this was a tremendous challenge. I am amazed that we were able to complete this project in a record three months and very proud of the result," Bishop said. "This building is built with the newest codes in casino gaming that includes a computerized floor and is state-of-the art."

Bishop said it was impressive to experience the 100 percent cooperation and work that went into the Canton casino renovation.

"I love working with the tribes and have done so for over ten years," Bishop said. "When Gov. Boswell laid out what she would like to see in Canton and then to see how everyone pulled together to get it done … well the word I use is impressive."

After the ribbon cutting lunch was served by Snider's Catering from Kingfisher, Okla.

*See **casino photos**, page 11*

The first 100 days shows progress

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Gov. Janice Boswell (r) and Lt. Gov. Leslie Harjo (l) on Jan. 2, 2010.

When Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Gov. Janice Boswell and Lt. Gov. Leslie Harjo took office on Jan. 2, 2010 they knew there would be challenges to face and overcome to move the tribes forward and progress into a new phase of prosperity.

Boswell and Harjo conducted community meetings throughout the tribes' service areas and in New Mexico to introduce the new administration, executive directors and to introduce their "Priorities to Accomplish-100 Day Plan" to tribal members.

In the first 100 days of office there have been many areas of improvement for the tribes ranging from employment to casino expansions and improvements.

Since Jan. 3, 2010 there have been over 157 new employee hired, of which 94 percent have been tribal members according to Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' personnel records.

The Feather Warrior Canton casino recently held its renovation grand opening *(see article on page one of the Tribal Tribune)* and plans are in the making for a new tribal casino to be built in Hammon, Okla. A job fair for the new Hammon casino has been scheduled in June for this facility.

Below is the "Priorities to Accomplish-100 Day Plan" along with progress made in each area.

1. *Enact a valid 2010 budget that will meet the needs of our tribal members.*

The 2010 budget has been vetoed by Gov. Boswell as it appears to be identical to the proposed 2009 budget. The 2nd Legislature proposed the 2009 budget and the Supreme Court threw it out due to constitutional deficiencies. (See in re Executive Authority, No. S.C.-2007-02 (Chey. & Arap. S. Ct. Feb. 12, 2010).

The 2010 budget is still in the working stages.

2. *With the assistance of an elder commission, revise the Elder Care program so that it is more responsive to our elders (move Veterans Dept. to the Culture and Heritage program).*

The elder commission has completed its policy revisions to better serve the elders. Law has not yet established the Veterans program and all veterans are being directed to go to Culture and Heritage for support.

3. *Get Executive Directors for each department in position and confirmed by the Legislature.*

All department executive directors have been confirmed except for the Dept. of Treasury and the Social Services department. These two positions are pending.

4. *Have audit completed and results provided to the Tribal Council.*

Audits are still being conducted for each program and will be provided to the Tribal Council once they are all completed.

5. *Have Office of Records Management fully functional and providing all required documents including financial reports, casino revenue reports, expenditures and contracts to any member of the tribes.*

The Office of Records Management has been providing the public with information through their "Document Request Form" procedure. The office has provided several requests to tribal members since January 2010 and they are continuing to collect information to have available for the public.

(Note: Diane Willis, Office of Records Management, director, said the office currently consists of three staff members, a director and two clerks, and will be seeking to fill two more positions in the near future.)

"Our tribes are very rich in the valuable traditions we will leave and pass on to our children and grandchildren and that is why the office of records management is so important to our people," Willis said.

6. *Complete construction plans for the Hammon Casino.*

Construction plans are in progress and job fairs are being conducted to fill positions for the new Hammon casino.

7. *Have Ft. Reno returned to the Cheyenne and Arapaho people.*

This is a work in progress as Gov. Boswell and Lt. Gov. Harjo have attended meetings in Washington, D.C. pertaining to the return of Ft. Reno to the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes.

8. *Work with other branches to revise the GRAP (include children's trust fund for gaming per-capita.*

Gov. Boswell has signed Bill No. 3L-2010-RS-03-06-An Act to Adopt Amendments to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes' Gaming Revenue Allocation Plan.

9. *Investigate wind farm opportunities and have proposal ready to present to the Legislature.*

The Energy Conservation program is currently working with grant funds from the Department of Energy. These grant funds will be used to accomplish several energy efficiency and conservation tasks. These tasks include performing energy-usage audits on several direct-service buildings, replacing hot water tanks, establishing outside lighting and develop training for tribal members to install smart meters. These are used to identify consumption of energy and communicate date for monitoring purposes.

"We have made a lot of progress in a short period of time, but we have a long journey ahead of us. A journey that I know will be filled with prosperity, unity and more services provided to all our tribal members," Boswell said.

Geary public schools unite with tribes' book project

By David Bearshield, Reporter

"Preserving the past, remembering with pride" is the motto that the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' book project members, Funston Whiteman and Michael Bell, are promoting with their connection to the public school systems of Geary, Okla.

At an assembly held Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at the Geary Elementary School in Geary, Okla., Whiteman and Bell were key analysts and promoters on the progress the school had made on the recent adoption of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Book Project series. This series was given to the schools to educate students on the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' culture and history. This series included two books on the Cheyenne tribal culture and history and two books on the Arapaho culture and history.

Photo by David Bearshield

Funston Whiteman (l) and Michael Bell (r) discuss the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' book project with Geary Public School students and faculty.

"I first would like to thank Mrs. Barnes for her efforts to allow this series to reach the elementary grade students. Her efforts have allowed the Geary schools to be educated about the tribes and where they come from," Whiteman said.

The book project was first completed in the summer of 2008 and the first copies were distributed at the annual Labor Day powwow in Colony, Okla.

Preserving the Past. Remembering with Pride.
THE TSISTISTAS JOURNEY
An Introduction to Cheyenne History
THE HINONO'EI WAY OF LIFE
Tsististas
Hinono'ei
THE TSISTISTAS PEOPLE OF THE PLAINS
THE PRAIRIE THUNDER PEOPLE
Cheyenne and Arapaho Book Project
Connecting Children to the Past, Present and Future.

As applauds from the students and staff reached a climax, Whiteman opened the floor for students to share from the floor what they had learned and liked about the book series. Students shared they liked the culture, hunting information, chiefs, the four old men, sweat lodges, dogs and the travels of the Cheyenne and Arapaho people.

With many questions about the two cultures and their similarities, students wanted more information and were interested in when more books would be coming. Methods on ways to teach the series interested the Geary school staff and gave them ideas on how to introduce the series in their upcoming school year curriculum.

Students participated in a short quiz given by Whiteman and Bell on the series. A set of books was provided to each student for participating in the fun like quiz.

"The tribal flag was created by whom?" Whiteman asked.

"Theodore Cutnose Jr.," Jonathan Big Medicine, a Geary tribal student, said.

Bell said he was pleased on the progress the series has made within the Geary school system.

Although many of the faculty put forth efforts to see this project through, Whiteman and Bell presented a series to Mrs. Barnes and the Geary library to better equip their staff on the process of learning how to utilize this series of the book project.

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Concho Head Start Program says thank you

Submitted article

The Concho Head Start Program would like to thank everyone that attended our head start graduation ceremony on May 13, 2010 at the Concho Community Hall in Concho, Okla.

Over three hundred and seventy-five people attended the ceremony.

The evening was a blessed and successful event for all the children, parents, families, Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' tribal government and head start staff.

The Concho Head Start Program would like to especially thank those who helped make the night special for the children and their families. Gov. Janice Boswell, keynote speaker, Lt. Gov. Leslie Harjo, for giving encouraging words to students and their families, Teresa Dorsett, Cheyenne and Arapaho Department of Education, executive director, who gave the welcome, Clifton Ellis, Cheyenne district two legislator, Malaina Tallbear, Cheyenne district two, administrative assistant, for gifts to the head start students, Michael Kodaseet, legislative speaker, Sarah Pedro, Arapaho district two, administrative assistant, for gifts, Feather Warrior Casino(s) for gifts, the Culture and Heritage Program for a monetary gift to the Concho Head Start center.

Also a thank you to Stewart Candy and Michael Whitecloud for the singing of tribal songs, Cheyenne and Arapaho Color Guard for the presentation of flags and salute, Gordon Yellowman for the Invocation, Benediction and prayers, Francine Williams, Cheyenne and Arapaho JOM, director, for the graduation cake, banners, and table decorations, Wanda Whiteman for assisting with program planning, the entire head start administration and management team, and all the legislators that attended. To everyone who helped make this year a great success ... thank you.

Submitted photo

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' head start students receive gifts at the head start graduation.

Rain or shine, Mother's Day cook-out still prevails

By Melissa YellowEagle

Submitted photo

The Clinton R.e.Sp.e.c.t. program hosts the first annual Mother's Day Cook-out with a success.

Despite the heavy over cast and humid weather the Clinton R.e.Sp.e.c.t. program came together to host their first annual Mother's Day cook-out without any delays.

Although the cook-out was scheduled a week after Mother's day, on May 15, 2010 at the R.e.Sp.e.c.t. facility in Clinton, Okla., the turn out was a huge success.

Mothers from local areas came and had a good time while enjoying great food, playing bingo and winning prizes. For the mothers that brought their children along for the festivities, inflatable toys were offered for the children's enjoyment and entertainment. No one left empty handed or with emptied stomachs.

The purpose of having the Mother's day cook-out was to show the appreciation we have for our Native American mothers and the hard work they do for their children and grandchildren. This was the first time the Clinton R.e.Sp.e.c.t. program has put together something special for all Native American mothers and with the huge outcome we had, we are looking forward to having another Mother's day cook-out next year and the years to come.

Ecotrust Indigenous leadership award open for nominations

Five Innovative Northwest Leaders To Be Recognized In December With $45,000

PORTLAND, Ore.-Ecotrust today opened nominations for the annual Ecotrust Indigenous Leadership Award, a recognition program for individuals who demonstrate durable qualities of leadership for improvement of social, economic, political and environmental conditions in their homelands. In December, the Ecotrust Indigenous Leadership awardee will receive a cash award of $25,000, and four finalists will each receive $5,000.

The Ecotrust Indigenous Leadership Award has quietly become one of the preeminent programs for honoring and supporting tribal, First Nation, and Alaska Native leaders in the West. Each year, the award recognizes five of the West's most innovative indigenous leaders for their efforts to improve conditions in their communities. Individuals are eligible if they are First Nation or tribal members, over 35 years of age, and work, or have worked, with an indigenous organization or community within the states of Oregon, Washington, California, western Montana, Nevada, Idaho, Alaska or the Canadian provinces of British Columbia and the Yukon Territory. Award nominees are leaders who work to improve a community's resource base, cultural base, economic security, or health and wellness.

The 2010 nomination deadline is August 15, 2010. In September 2010, a reading panel will review all nominations. A majority of the reading panel consists of native leaders, and they select five nominations to forward to the final jury. The final jury is comprised of eminent indigenous leaders who make the final awardee selection and guide the program's processes and policies. Final jury members have included: Dalee Sambo Dorough (Inupiaq), Alan Parker (Chippewa-Cree), Chief Leah George-Wilson (Tsleil Waututh Nation), Kathy Hill (Klamath Tribes), Antone Minthorn (Cayuse), and non-voting members Spencer B. Beebe (Ecotrust founder and president) and Elizabeth Woody (Navajo-Warm Springs-Wasco-Yakama).

The 2010 award ceremony will be held on December 2, 2010 at Ecotrust's Jean Vollum Natural Capital Center in Portland, OR. Ecotrust covers travel and lodging expenses for the awardee and

*See **leadership aware**, page 6*

TAUC, Interior Dept. sign cooperative agreement to address skilled labor needs on Tribal lands

TAUC to work with government, member contractors and unions to train Native Americans

PHOENIX, ARIZ. – The Association of Union Constructors (TAUC) on May 13, 2010 signed a cooperative agreement with the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED), part of the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs, designed to provide crucial new careers for Native Americans and Native Alaskans in the construction industry – and expand work opportunities for union contractors at the same time.

For decades, many Native American tribes have struggled with some of the highest poverty and unemployment rates in the country. Their tribal lands contain many natural resources, and several large-scale energy and industrial projects have been forecast. The locations of these potential projects are often so remote that standard pools of labor will not be sufficient to provide all of the necessary manpower. At the same time, there are a lot of hardworking people on tribal lands who want a chance to develop their talents and abilities.

The agreement – the first between a contractor association and IEED – will allow both groups to work hand-in-hand with tribal governments and the building trades to enhance training opportunities for residents of these areas. In fact, several international unions have already started apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs on tribal lands to increase the pool of skilled labor. Specifically, the TAUC-IEED pact includes the following:

TAUC will recommend that its member contractors who are working on or near tribal lands allow tribal members who meet the necessary skill and safety requirements to be hired first.When there is a lack of skilled journey workers available from tribal lands, TAUC will recommend that its member contractors work closely with the international unions and arrange for the immediate training of tribal members as pre-apprentices. Tribal members with specialized skills who meet the necessary qualifications may be tested and, upon successful completion, be made an apprentice or journeyperson.

Before any tribal members are hired, they must receive proper safety training and jobsite orientation.

IEED and TAUC, in conjunction with its 2,500 member contractors, will select a potential pilot project to implement the cooperative agreement. The project will be determined based on the interest of the contractor, tribe, and affiliated building trade union that would be willing to undertake such an initiative.

"This is indeed a historic occasion," said Lynn Forcia, Chief of the Division of Workforce Development within IEED. "There are billions of dollars of projects on tribal lands anticipated in the near future. A crucial part of this initiative is to ensure that there's a highly skilled workforce of American Indians and Alaska natives where the jobs will take place."

Courtesy photo

Left to right: Margaret Zientek of Citizen Potawatomi Nation; TAUC President Bob Santillo of McCarl's Inc.; Lynn Forcia, IEED.

"Some tribes are glad to celebrate 25% unemployment, but most have more like 50% to 75% unemployment on their reservations," added Margaret Zientek of Citizen Potawatomi Nation, a tribe located in Oklahoma. "Native Americans are able and ready and willing to work, but they can't find work. It makes natural sense to work together as partners to help fulfill your need for workers and our need for jobs."

"TAUC has always strived to build mutually beneficial relationships with other organizations," said TAUC President Robert Santillo. "Synergy is crucial to the long-term success of any industry, and union construction is no exception. I'm very excited about this new partnership with IEED and the building trades."

The Association of Union Constructors is the premier national trade association representing the 21st century union construction industry. TAUC consists of more than 2,500 union contractors, local union contractor associations and vendors in the industrial maintenance and construction field. We demonstrate union construction is the best option because it is safer and more productive, and it provides a higher-quality and cost-competitive product. For more information, log on to www.tauc.org.

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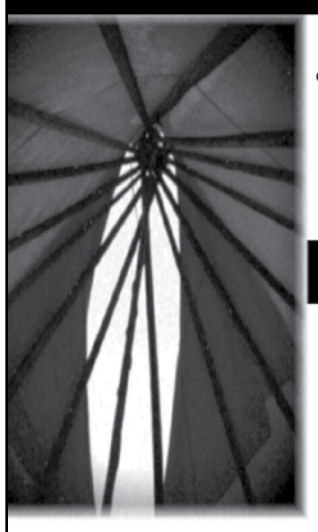

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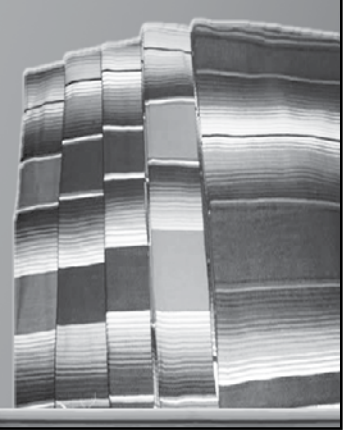

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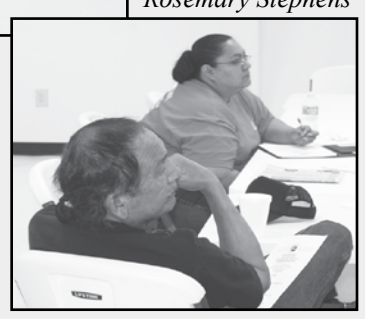


Above: LaDonna and Ramona Tallbear attend the environmental review board meeting.

Right: Annette Howell and James Pedro contribute to the brainstorming session for recycling.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' environmental protection agency held it's first monthly environmental review board meeting on May 20, 2010 at the Rollin Haag N.A.C. building in Concho, Okla.

Topics included recycling objectives, tree planting initiatives and energy efficiency and conservation.

The next meeting will be held at 10 a.m., June 10, 2010 at the same location. All tribal programs, departments, tribal members and individuals are welcome.

Left: Terry Lacey and Chris Goldbeck demonstrate the proper way to extinguish a fire.

Right: Elsie Sage takes a turn activating a fire extinguisher.

Left: Terry Lacey points to where Virginia Richey needs to spray the fire to effectively distinguish it.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

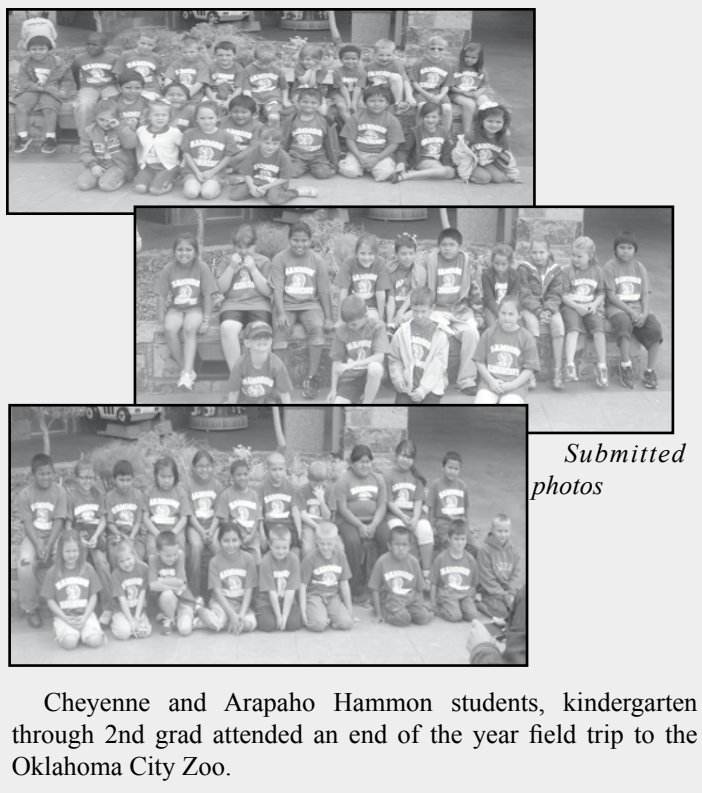
Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal employees learn how to properly use a fire extinguisher on Friday May 21, 2010 at the Concho powwow grounds in Concho, Okla.

Terry Lacy and Chris Goldbeck, American Fire and Safety Company in Oklahoma City provided information and live demonstrations of properly putting out a fire.

Submitted photos

The Hammon coach pitch team won two tournaments held in Elk City, Okla. and are currently undefeated in the season league.

Congratulations to the Hammon team.



Submitted photos

Cheyenne and Arapaho Hammon students, kindergarten through 2nd grad attended an end of the year field trip to the Oklahoma City Zoo.

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Paisley Lonebear, 6 year-old Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member received first place in art contest sponsored by Shedeck Elementary school. Students from pre-K through fourth grade entered art for the contest.

Paisley is the daughter of Candice Grandstaff and Francis Lonebear. Her grandparents are grandma Keets, grandma Kim Lonebear and grandma Deborah Sykes. Her great-grandmother is Mary Belle Lonebear.

"I drew a buffalo because my daddy works with buffalo," Lonebear said.

Paisley received an art package with professional drawing tools, brushes and sketch pads.

RABIES CLINIC

June 12, 2010
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Watonga Indian Health Center
Watonga, Okla.
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email Bonnie.Kraft@ihs.gov.

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For more information call Lydia at (405) 837-6755.

Reminder:

The deadline to submit information for the **June 15, 2010** *Tribal Tribune* is **Tuesday, June 8, 2010**. All late submissions will be placed in the following issue, unless space is available.

Deadlines are on the 8th and 23rd of each month, unless the date falls on a weekend, then the deadline will be the Friday preceding.

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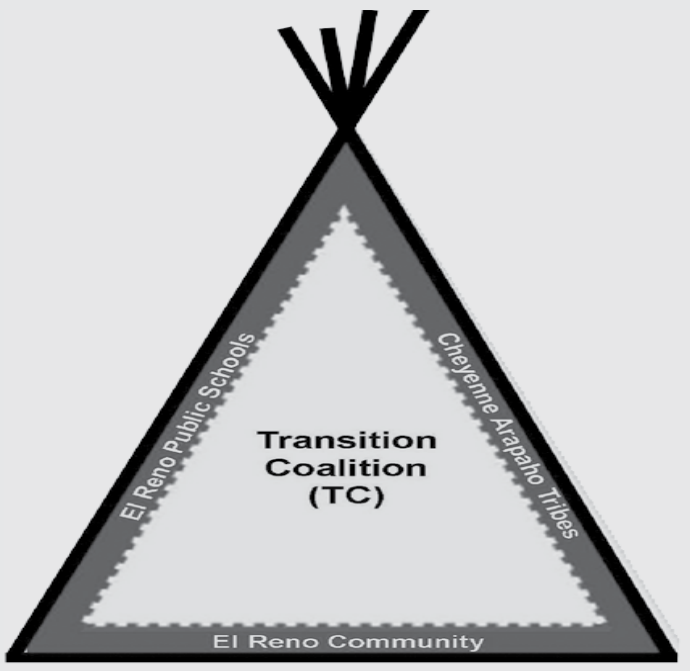

Transition Coalition Mentorship Mission Statement

The mentoring program of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in collaboration with the El Reno Public Schools promotes academic achievement, personal growth, and cultural knowledge for all middle and high school Indian students. The program matches an adult male or female with an Indian youth to offer encouragement, support, guidance, friendship, and a positive role model.

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Computer Art
Sculpture/Ceramics/Pottery
Artwork Must Be No Larger than 11x14
PERFORMING ARTS
Personal Narrative
1-2 Pages, Double-Spaced-12 point Font
Music via digital media submission
Dance via digital media submission
Awards given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places for Pre-K, Kindergarten, Elementary, Middle School and High School age students.
2010 ART STUDENT COMPETITION
Creating a Plan based on the voice of the Tsistsistas & Hinono'ei'
Sponsored by the Office of Planning & Development; co-sponsored by the R.E.Sp.E.C.T. program
For more information or for applications call (800) 247-4612, ext. 27620 or 27570

Photo by Erica Dominguez

Pictured front row l-r: Raylene Jones Bar, Kim Rhoads, Lisa Hurd, Bruce Peoples, Melvern Goombi-, Edward Whiteshield, and Fred Mosqueda,Sr. Back row l-r: Monica Youngbear, Alfred Whiteshirt, Homer Wassana, Dustin Michaels, Kenneth Tidwell and Sean Staggs.

Security Manager Melvern Goombi presented a donation on behalf of Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Clinton Lucky Star Casino to the Custer County sheriff's office. Custer County Sheriff Bruce Peoples accepted the check. The donation will be used to purchase five new tasers for Custer County sheriff's department, who have helped out Clinton Lucky Star Casino by ensuring the safety of customers on a day-to-day basis and during events.

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes

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NOTE: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal offices will be closed on Monday, May 31, 2010 in observance of Memorial Day.

www.c-a-tribes.org

The Oklahoma Indian Nation Powwow Committee

is now accepting food vendor applications for the 21st annual celebration scheduled for Aug. 6, 7, and 8, 2010. Cost is $350 for three day weekend. For more information, contact Christine Morton (405) 422-7545, cm_arapaho@hotmail.com or Dara Franklin (405) 262-5131, dara_franklin@yahoo.com.

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Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma Head Start Program

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Head Start Program Concho Center is now accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year.

The Head Start Program is a comprehensive Child Development Program that is designed to promote high quality services and provide a range of individualized services in the area of Education, Early Childhood, Medical, Dental, Mental Health, Nutrition and Parent Involvement. Head Start Services are responsive and appropriate to each child and family's development, Ethnic, Cultural and Linguistic experience.

Eligibility Requirements:
3 years old to 5 years old – must be 3 years old by September 1, and turn 5 years old after September 1.

For Application to be processed, the following must be attached:

a) Copy of Child's Birth Certificate
b) Copy of Child's Immunization Record
c) Copy of Child's Social Security Card
d) Copy of Child's Health Insurance card
e) Income Verification
f) If the Child has Special Needs. Documentation Attached.
g) CDIB (If Applicable)

Head Start provides transportation to and from the Head Start Center in a 25 mile radius in service area. Includes Concho, El Reno, Kingfisher, Okarche, Geary and Calumet.

Certified Staff, Age Appropriate Curriculum, Certified CDL Bus Drivers, Nutritious Meals-Breakfast and Lunch, Cultural Activities and Field Trips.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Head Start Program follows Federal Guidelines and local Department of Human Services requirements. The Head Start Program does not discriminate against: Race, Color, Sex, National Origin or Disabilities.

For enrollment packet or more information cal Leanna Balbuena, Center Supervisor or Rachel Morales, Family Services Coordinator at (405) 422-7647 or (405) 422-7645.

PROGRAM PROFILE

Cheyenne, Arapaho Tribes Deparment of Education-Head Start Program (405) 422-7635

Philosophy, Long-range and Short-range Program Objectives

The Cheyenne & Arapaho Head Start Program's philosophy is to provide high quality early childhood services for children and families that reflect the traditional culture in all service areas. This is accomplished through an individualized, nurturing environment where children and families are capable of developing strong relationships within their homes, the Head Start program and the community. Head Start provides opportunities for individuals to become lifelong learners and partners in the educational process and leadership within the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribal community. The overall goal of the Head Start Program is to support families and community members within the service area in learning the skills and resources needed to be informed consumers of choices for their own and their children's lives. The Head Start Program serves to enhance the role of parents as the primary educator and advocate for their child/children. With this overall goal, the program has established content area service goals and objectives.

Program Approach

The Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Head Start Program will operate a center based program, four days per week, five hours per day at three centers with eight classrooms. The Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma Head Start program is funded for 133 children.

The program operates three (3) centers located in the towns of Canton, Concho, and Clinton. The Concho Center (57 children) and Clinton (45 children) Center operates three (3) classrooms and the Canton Center (31 children) operates 2 classrooms for a total of eight (8) classrooms. The program provides center-based Head Start services in a part day, part year program option.

Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. The program provides transportation for all enrolled children.

Head Start Philosophy

The Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma Head Start Program's philosophy is that every child, regardless of their cultural background, needs an environment that provides them with the opportunity to develop to their maximum potential. The Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Head Start Program will dedicate itself to providing a comprehensive early child development program for eligible preschool children that is reflective of the culture of the families and communities of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes. The program will include an environment to enhance each child's social/emotional development, cognitive development, physical development, and language development in English and their native language.

In addition, Head Start supports the processes to strengthen families and extended family members as the primary nurturers and educators of their children. The program will bring a greater degree of social competence to all children and families to enable them and empower them to become strong, independent and self-sufficient by providing all children and families with the education, health and nutritional services needed to learn and succeed.

Administrative Office	**(405) 422-7635**
Director – Colette Berg	*(405) 990-4662*
Canton Head Start Center	**(580) 886-2817**
Center Supervisor – Shelene Washington	*(580) 445-4233*
Clinton Head Start Center	**(580) 331-2362**
Center Supervisor – Terri Hines	*(580) 445-4229*
Concho Head Start Center	**(405) 422-7647**
Center Supervisor – Leanna Balbuena	*(405) 990-3945*

Website: http://www.c-a-tribes.org/head-start

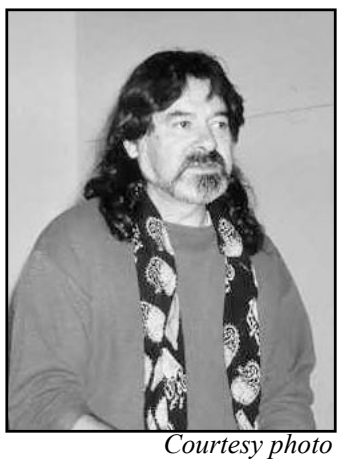
Cheyenne tribal member, recognized poet

Submitted article

The frequency with which Lance (David) Henson and his work have been sought by editors, publishers, anthologists, and sponsors of readings and workshops here and in Europe offers more than adequate testimony that Lance Henson is the foremost Cheyenne poet now writing according to literary critics.

In the literary circles of Indian country and in the few journals that notice contemporary American Indian literature, his critical reputation is secure. His books quickly sell out. Virtually all his readers and listeners like and admire the man, his poems and want more of both.

Born in Washington, D.C., and reared by his grandparents on their Cheyenne allotment near Calumet, Okla., Henson is an honorably discharged Marine, a member of the Cheyenne Dog Soldier Warrior Society, the Black Belt Karate Association and the Native American Church. Each of these affiliations bears upon his work. He holds a B.A. in English from Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts and an M.A. in creative writing from Tulsa University.



Courtesy photo
Lance Henson

For more information about Henson and his works visit www.bookrags.com/biography/lance-henson-dlb.

A night of harmony in Native American gospel music

By David Bearshield, Reporter

Sounds of harmony resonate from the stages of the First Free Will Baptist Church in El Reno, Okla.

The 2010 Gospel Musical program, held May 15, 2010, featured well-known Native American gospel singers and groups from across the state of Oklahoma.

Photo by David Bearshield

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member Gerald Fixico of Seminole, Okla. and his family along with Kristopher Redbird of Oklahoma City and his group, the Master's Touch, were among many who performed that evening.

Many tribal members from the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, the Kiowa tribe, Comanche Nation, Delaware Nation, the Apache tribe, Choctaw Nation, Cherokee Nation and Seminole Nation were all in attendance.

A Native American gospel music convention is being planned for October 2010. Details will be forthcoming.

leadership award

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finalists.

Ecotrust believes that tribes and First Nations are more than an ethnic or minority demographic; they are nations and representative governments, major landowners, committed co-managers in natural resources, and major drivers of local and regional economies. Tribes, First Nations, and Alaska Natives hold long-range vision, sustainable societal values and a history of the land and marine terrestrial ecosystems that provide a sense of place in the growing global economy.

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To nominate someone for the Ecotrust Indigenous Leadership Award, please visit www.ecotrust.org/indigenousleaders/guidelines.html.

For more information contact Gloria Borg Olds at (503) 467-0773.

RECEIPT REQUEST

To assist tribal members in their traditional and cultural endeavors, the Culture and Heritage program offers contribution assistance to tribal members.

According to program and finance policy and procedures applicants are required to submit original receipts providing support documentation for their 2010 contribution(s).

Each approved applicant will agree to submit receipts upon signing for the contribution and are ultimately responsible for turning in all receipts.

It is ***important*** all 2010 applicant receipts be turned into the Culture and Heritage program **IMMEDIATELY**, if you have not done so already.

Under the direction of new program directors and administration, 2010 applicants were given a second chance despite the 2009 non-compliance practices, but please be reminded the annual Cheyenne and Arapaho ceremonies are fast approaching and any 2010 applicant(s) who have not submitted receipts for the 2010 contributions will be denied for 2010 ceremony contributions.

In addition, failure to comply could result in the **DENIAL** of <u>all</u> future assistance from the Culture and Heritage program.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any question please contact program offices at (800) 247-4612 ext. 27443

Notice to Applicants

Please be advised the Culture and Heritage program does not assist with funerals. We are not allowed to duplicate services provided by the Crisis and Enrollment programs.

We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully,
Dale Hamilton
Arapaho Director

EATING well for DIABETES

By Kristie Purdy, MA, RD/LD
C&A Diabetes Wellness Program

Food Expiration Dates

Most packaged food is labeled with some sort of "freshness" date. However, if you're not familiar with the terms used, figuring out the lingo for freshness labeling can be very confusing.

You may be surprised to learn with the exception of baby formula and infant foods, United States federal law does not require expiration dates to be placed on foods. Freshness dating is strictly a voluntary act on the part of the food manufactures that use them.

Food manufacturers and retailers typically use the following freshness dating:

"Sell by" or "Pull" date: This is the last day a food should be sold in the store to remain fresh for home storage. If a particular item has a sell by date, the store should remove this item from the shelf if it is still in the store. Foods with this particular labeling can still be consumed and stored in your home for days to weeks after the marked sell by date.

"Best if used by" date: This term is used as a measure for optimal quality. The food has a guarantee of peak freshness if used by this date and it is stored properly. After this date, the food will still remain safe to eat. However, it may have a lesser quality of taste, flavor or nutrition

"Pack" date: This is a date used to let you know when the food was manufactured, processed or packaged.

"Expiration" dates: This is the very last day the food is safe to eat. If a food has not been eaten by this date, it should be thrown away.

"Guaranteed fresh" date: Used on most bakery items. After this date has passed, the food item will still be edible. However, it will not be at its peak freshness.

Listed are a few freshness and expiration dating rules on many commonly purchased food products.

Milk typically stays fine for up until a week after the "sell by" date.

If eggs are bought before the "sell by" date, they are usually okay to eat for three to five weeks after you bring them home.

Poultry and seafood should be cooked or froze with in a day or two of bringing them home.

Beef and pork should be cooked for froze with in three to five days after bringing them home.

Canned goods can typically be stored for 18 months or longer. Be sure to store then in a dry, dark place, with a temperature around 50 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

When buying food, be sure to check the label and make your purchase before the expiration date. When in doubt, throw it out!

For questions concerning food safety or any other nutrition related question, please contact the Diabetes Wellness Center at (405) 422-7688.

Cemetery Has a Mystery Custodian

Burial Program appreciates the volunteer efforts in maintaining the cemetery

CONCHO, Okla. May 17, 2010: The tribal cemetery located at Greenfield has been graced with the presence of somebody who has taken it upon themselves to provide some landscaping at that location. Twice in the last few months, cemetery custodians employed with the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes have arrived to mow and found the grounds already mowed.

Though the thought is very admirable, it appears the unidentified custodian(s) have cut the grass a little too close to the ground. The landscape of the cemetery now has lifeless areas where the grass has died off. The intentions were undeniably noble and appreciated; however the Burial Program would like to remind the general public that the cemetery custodians hired by the tribe provide maintenance to this cemetery and eight other cemeteries in the service area. They make regular rounds of the cemeteries, taking into consideration the weather and how accessible the grounds are after bouts of rainy weather. They also take into consideration the condition of a cemetery before a service is held in that location, and make every effort to have it mowed for the day of the service.

Though the Tribes are always appreciative of help in keeping our tribal cemeteries beautiful, there actually is no need for anyone other than the cemetery custodians to mow at any of the tribal cemeteries. However, if the "Mystery Lawnmower Man" simply must continue to mow at Greenfield, the Burial Program asks that you set the height on the mower just a tad bit higher!

Cooking with commods

Macaroni Beef Casserole

1 pound lean ground beef
1 onion, chopped (½ cup)
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon lemon pepper
¼ teaspoon garlic powder
16 ounces elbow macaroni
1 (15.5 ounce) can green beans, drained
1 (15.5 ounce) can cream corn
2 (10.5 ounce) cans cream of mushroom soup
½ cup sour cream (optional)
1 to 2 cups cheese, grated

1. Preheat oven to 350ºF.
2. Brown ground beef and onion. Pour off grease. Add seasonings to taste.
3. Cook elbow macaroni until almost done.
4. Mix meat and cooked noodles in a large bowl with all other ingredients (except cheese). Put mixture in a greased casserole dish and top with cheese.
5. Bake in oven at 350ºF for 20 minutes or until done.

Variations: Add 1 can sliced mushrooms and 1 can sliced olives.

To lower sodium content: use low-sodium canned soups and Low-sodium vegetables or fresh vegetables; use salt substitute instead of salt.

To lower fat content: use defatted or lean meats; omit sour cream or use lowfat or fat-free sour cream; decrease or omit cheese or use lowfat cheese.

BRIEFS

The third annual Renewable Energy Projects in Indian Country Conference

June 7-8, 2010 at the Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www. www.nativenationevents.org.

The NIGA Seminar Institute's 11th annual Commissioner Certification Training

June 7-10, 2010 at the Seneca Niagra Casino and Hotel in Buffalo, N.Y. For more information and to register visit www.indiangaming.org.

Wills and Probate in Indian Country

June 14 - 15, 2010 at the Platinum Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Save The Child-Save The Teenager-Micro-Management to Micro-Leadership

June 16-17. 2010 at the Renaissance Hotel in Oklahoma City, Okla. For tribal council, school board members, tribal and youth directors, superintendents, principals and vice-principals. For more information or to register call (800) 458-8071 or email to lisa@stcstt.com.

Midwest Renewable Energy Association 21st annual Energy Fair

June 18-20, 2010 at the ReNew the Earth Institute in Custer, WI. For more information or to register visit www.themrea.org.

The National Congress of American Indian (NCAI) 2010 Mid Year Conference

June 20-23, 2010 at the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn in Rapid City, S.D. For more information call (202) 466-7767 or email ncai@ncai.org.

The 20th annual EMS Educational Conference

June 21-25, 2010 at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Catoosa, Okla. For more information or to register visit www.onaemsa.com.

The American Indian Institute's Introduction to Social Marketing

June 22-25, 2010 at the La Posada de Santa Fe Resort in Santa Fe, N.M. For more information or to register visit www.aii.ou.edu.

Save The Child-Save The Teenager-Micro-Management to Micro-Leadership

June 24-25, 2010 at the Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For tribal council, school board members, tribal and youth directors, superintendents, principals and vice-principals. For more information or to register call (800) 458-8071 or email to lisa@stcstt.com.

The National Conference on Volunteering and Service

June 28-30, 2010 in Times Square, New York City, N.Y. For more information or to register visit www.volunteeringandservice.org.

National Indian Child Welfare Association Workshop-Exercising Your Tribal Sovereignty: Making Title IV-E Work for You

June 30–July 1, 2010 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Portland, OR. Register by June 16, 2010 for early bird special. For more information or to register visit www.nicwa.org/training/institutes or call Laurie Evans at (503) 222-4044, ext. 124.

Wind energy may benefit landowners

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Apex Energy regional representative, Larry Saunders, explains the Canadian Hills Wind project to land owners.

The wind energy market is heading to Oklahoma.

In a meeting held Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Okarche, Okla., Apex Wind Energy, Inc. (AWEI) spoke to landowners about their land and wind energy lease contracts.

"Wind energy is coming, whether we like it or not, it's coming and you as landowners want to get in on the benefits from having a wind turbine on your property," Larry Saunders, AWEI, regional representative, said.

The meeting served as an introduction between landowners who own land in the proposed wind energy project, named the Canadian Hills Wind project and the AWEI.

AWEI develops wind energy facilities in North America with over 150 years experience in the wind industry and over $12 billion dollars in wind facilities and over 6,500 mega watts of operating capacity.

The Canadian Hills Wind project includes land in El Reno, Concho, Piedmont, Okarche, Calumet and Kingfisher.

More meetings have been scheduled in June 2010 by Saunders to meet with landowners in these areas, many of which are Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members.

To find out more about these meetings or for questions regarding land in the proposed Canadian Hills Wind project, contact Saunders at (918) 521-5621 or by email at larry.saunders@apexwind.com.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Tribes cleaning up the past

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Starting on June 15, 2010 the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes will begin their 12-month repayment plan to Southwest Casino and Hotel Corporation according to a document from the American Arbitration Association. The tribes' are ordered to pay $145,547.13 per month.

"Although this administration did not incur this debt, we have the burden of cleaning up the wreckage of the former governor's administration's actions," Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Gov. Janice Boswell, said.

The former governor of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Darrell Flyingman filed a lawsuit against Southwest Casino and Hotel Corp. in 2007 alleging wrongdoing on the part of Southwest Casino and Hotel Corp.

Southwest had been the gaming management firm for the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Lucky Star Casino facilities in Clinton and Concho, Okla. for a number of years before Flyingman initiated the firing of Southwest Casino Corp.

On Feb. 24, 2007, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' held a special Tribal Council meeting to authorize Flyingman to negotiate and sign an amended management agreement extending Southwest Casino management contract which was due to expire on May 19, 2007.

Instead Flyingman fired Southwest Casino Corp. and took over the management of the tribes' casinos. Flyingman then filed a lawsuit against Southwest Casino alleging wrongdoing.

The court disagreed with Flyingman's accusations stating in part, "*the tribes have not sustained their burden that Southwest materially breached the Third Amended Agreement and the Tribes are not entitled to contract damages*". (See Docket No. 71 180 Y 00466 07.)

According to the American Arbitration Association, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes were ordered to pay Southwest Casino and Hotel Corp. $1,176,367.28 in attorneys' fees and costs in addition to $490,182.00 in damages awarded to Southwest Casino Corp. starting Sept. 23, 2009

Flyingman chose to ignore the order causing interest to be added at the rate of four percent per annum since that date.

"However, as this is just another set back, Lt. Governor Harjo and I will prevail and keep moving the tribes forward," Boswell said.

AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION

CHEYENNE ARAPAHO TRIBES, a Federally-Recognized Tribe,

Claimant/Counter-Respondent,

vs.

SOUTHWEST CASINO AND HOTEL CORP., a Minnesota Corporation,

Respondent/Counter-Claimant.

AAA Docket No. 71 180 Y 00466 07

Arbitrators:

Kenneth N. McKinney
Daniel J. Boudreau
George S. Corbyn, Jr.

ORDER

Now on this 18th day of May 2010, this case comes on for consideration on Respondent and Counter-Claimant Southwest Casino and Hotel Corporation's ("Southwest") Motion to Reopen Proceedings to Award Fees and Costs. Based upon all of the files, records, and proceedings herein, and being fully advised in the premises,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. Claimants and Counter-Respondents Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes (the "Tribe") shall pay Southwest $1,176,367.28 in attorneys' fees and costs, to be added to the $490,182.00 in damages previously awarded to Southwest, for a total award of $1,666,549.28;

2. Interest shall accrue on the $1,666,549.28 award at four percent (4%) per annum from September 23, 2009;

3. The Tribe shall pay by wire transfer to the trust account of Gray, Plant, Mooty, Mooty & Bennett, P.A.:

Bank Name: Bremer Bank NA
Bank Address: 225 So. Sixth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55402
Bank Phone No.: 1-800-908-2265, Option #5
Routing Number: 096010415
Account Number: 6770938
Name on Account: Gray Plant Mooty Lawyers Trust Account

said award in twelve equal monthly installments commencing on June 15, 2010, of $145,547.13.

Dated May 18, 2010

George S. Corbyn, Jr.
Arbitrator

Daniel J. Boudreau, DISSENTS
Arbitrator

Kenneth N. McKinney by GSC w/perm
Kenneth N. McKinney
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Calendar of Events

Celebration of Freedom 2010
May 28-31, 2010 Memorial Day weekend in Hobart, Okla. Featuring the Charlie Daniels Band and Gen. Tommy Franks. Tickets are $25 in advance and $35 day of concert. For tickets, call (580) 726-5900 or visit celebrationoffreedom.net for more information.

The 37th annual Hammon Red Moon powwow
May 29-31, 2010 at the Hammon powwow grounds in Hammon, Okla. For more information contact Wilburn Bullcoming at (580) 339-2459 or Joyce Bullcoming at (580) 210-8424.

End of Year School Carnivals
At 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., June 1, 2010 at the Seiling Community Center in Seiling, Okla. and June 3, 2010 at the Watonga Multi-Purpose Building in Watonga, Okla. For more information call (405) 422-7777.

Sovereignty Symposium XXIII
June 2 - 3, 2010, at the Skirvin Hilton Hotel, 1 Park Avenue, in Oklahoma City. For more information, visit www.oscn.net/sovereignty.

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Comprehensive Planning Follow-Up Community Meetings
At 5 p.m. June 2, 2010 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. and 5 p.m. June 3, 2010 at the Frisco Center in Clinton, Okla. For more information call (405) 422-7620.

Miami Nation Tribal Powwow
June 4-5, 2010 at the Ottawa powwow grounds in Miami, Okla. For more information call (918) 542-1445.

Indian Taco Fundraiser for Christian Allec Gorham
From 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2010 at 1628 N.W. 9th Street, Oklahoma City. For more information call (405) 882-6939.

Hammon Job Fair
From 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 and Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at the Hammon Community Hall in Hammon, Okla. Bring two forms of identification.

Oakhater Center Art Camp
June 8-11, 2010 at the Oakerhater Center in Watonga, Okla. Ninth through 12th grades, hands on art projects. For more information contact Jim Kee-Rees at (580) 623-5585 or (405) 974-0024.

Environmental Review Board Meeting
At 10 a.m., June 10, 2010 at the Rollin Haag N.A.C. building in Concho, Okla. All tribal programs, departments, tribal members and individuals welcome. Fore more information contact the TEPA or EECBG offices at (800) 247-4612, ext. 27654 or ext. 27650.

Chilocco Indian School 126th reunion
June 11, 2010 at the Embassy Suites, 1815 S. Meridian, in Oklahoma City. For more information, call (405) 392-5536 or (405) 377-3587.

Health Fair
From 8 a.m.-4 p.m. June 12, 2010 at the Concho Community Hall parking lot. Health screenings, dental van, foot exams. For more information contact the Diabetes Wellness Program at (405) 422-7679 or (405) 422-7458.

Rabies Clinic
From 4 p.m.-7 p.m. June 12, 2010 at the Watonga Indian Health Center in Watonga, Okla. For more information email Bonnie.Kraft@ihs.gov.

Golf Scramble
June 12, 2010 at the Sugar Creek Golf Course in Hinton, Okla. Registration 10-10:45 a.m.; tee-off 11 a.m. Four person scramble based on declared handicap blind draw. Closest to pin and longest drive contest, 50/50 pot. Entry fee $30, $2.50 per Mulligan. For more information call Jerry Levi at (405) 483-5438 or (405) 615-4933.

Tinker Inter-Tribal Council powwow
June 12, 2010 at Joe Barnes Regional Park in Midwest City, Okla. For more information, call (405) 733-3587.

Third annual Native American National Championships, Open Run Community 5,000 Meter Run
At 9:15 a.m. June 12, 2010 at the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI), 9169 Coors Blvd. NW, in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information contact the race director at SportsWarriorsTC@aol.com. Online registration at: http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=1847342.

The National Native American Church Conference
June 16-20, 2010 at the Concho Tribal Complex in Concho, Okla. For more information contact Archie Hoffman at (405) 226-2876.

Red Earth Festival
June 18-20, 2010 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City. For more information, call (405) 427-5228 or visit www.redearth.org.

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Festival and Slow Pitch Softball Tournament
June 18-20, 2010 at the Claude Cox Omniplex in Okmulgee, Okla. For more information call (918) 732-7992 or visit www.muscogeenation-nsn.gov.

The Southwestern Association for Indian Arts (SWAIA) One Night Celebration
June 25, 2010 at the Magnolia Hotel in Denver, Colo. Reception begins 5 p.m. For more information call Whitney Stewart at (505) 983-5220 or by email at wstewart@swaia.org.

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June 3, 2010

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Town Hall
5 p.m.
June 10, 2010

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Aho Cheyenne and Arapaho legislators for the recognition of veterans.

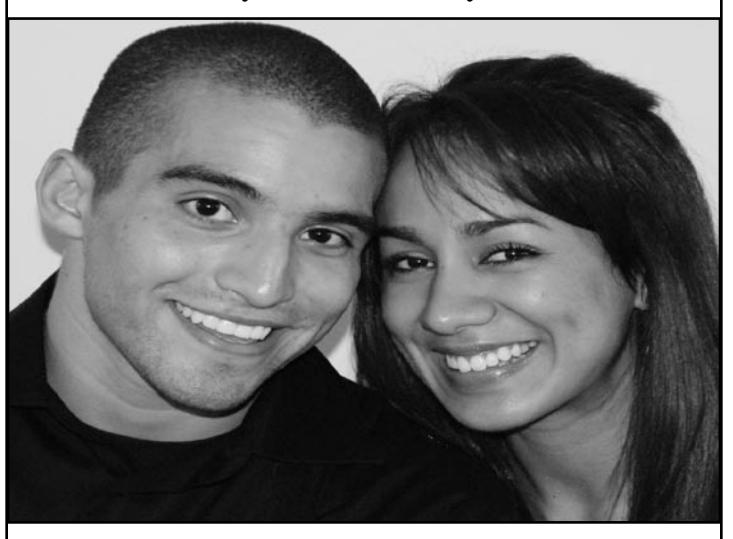
Last week, I had the opportunity to witness the Comanche tribe perform a cedar ceremony for the soldiers out of Ft. Sill, Okla. An army officer of Comanche descent, Major R. Williams, spoke of carrying on customs, traditions and the love and hope these traditions invoke.

I thought of our similar customs, the honor dances, the Peyote customs, the Arrow ceremonies, the Sun Dance and how our veterans participate in all of these. These customs are an important part of who we are. Our people have always honored our veterans within our communities throughout our country. We have always used our traditional values and have honored God and have been blessed to have our prayers answered. Again, may we give thanks to our tribal government for their efforts. Keep up the good work on the behalf of our people.

American Legion Post Commander Post 401
Alex Warden Jr.

LIGHT A CANDLE
In Loving Memory of Daniel Whiteman who passed on Sept. 6, 2002
"Forever in our Hearts"
Light a candle for those we mourn. Into a new life they will be born. Do not look for them at the gravesite. They are somewhere else radiating their beautiful light. They have gone to a new world where there is no darkness, no pain. Their light and essence will always remain. Light a candle for those who have left this mortal place. They are free to travel through time and space. When we think of them, they are near. When we sit in a beautiful garden, their voices we hear. When we listen to a divine symphony. We close our eyes, their faces we see. Light a candle for they have not really gone. With each flickering flame, in your hearts they will always belong.
Author A.Pell

In Loving Memory of
Michael Ruiz Vega, Jr. (Arapaho)
February 18, 1988 - July 17, 2009



Please remember what Jesus said at John 5:28, 29: "The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life."
Michael, we miss you so much!
Love and hope,
mom and dad, Nakai, and Maily

An open letter to my Indian grandfather, Henry Edward Cooper

Grandfather:

My wife wanted to be a teacher. So we took her to a Christian college in a town where her mother lived. But something went wrong there, and we decided to go to a different college. While we were getting ready to move, the recession came and I could not find work. So we stayed in that town, and we began teaching our children how to live off the land; about how to make bows and arrows, fire, and how to gather useful plants. Our children were strong, and went barefoot to feel the earth. We had a good neighbor who loved the earth too. He had saved a bundle of money.

One day a man with disease on his hands came to our neighbor's house and said our neighbor was dead. My wife told the man with diseased hands that she thought our neighbor had been murdered for his bundle of money. This man was a policeman who was also a medical examiner. Later he watched us for many days with an evil eye. He began to bother us in the ways of an enemy.

One night my wife, who faints, remembered flashing lights and the man with diseased hands looking in her broken window screen. She thinks he put something in her while she was passed out. Then later she got a disease from the garden hose into her mouth. This disease looked like smallpox.

I asked a neighbor to take my family to the hospital. But he didn't want to catch our disease. So I asked some relatives. They didn't want to catch our disease either. So after I pleaded, they let us ride in the dirty part of their car to the hospital, but wouldn't touch us.

The man with diseased hands, who was called a medical examiner, had gone to the hospital before us and told them evil things about us. He said our neighbor had dirty socks. He said we were bad for being barefoot, and that our trailer was not a home and they took our children away and put me in a hidden room alone. I was not sick, but they put a needle in my arm and poison in my veins. Some of my children were not sick. But they put needles in them too. I saw them stab my little baby with many needles and take too much of her blood. Her blood was pure and she was strong, but they searched for many drugs in her blood until she was weak and too thirsty.

They spoke the lies and the rumors from the man with diseased hands. He had spread hate throughout the hospital.

They told me I was "a free soul," that I could leave--but not have my children. I took their poison needle out of my arm and came to tell you this. I speak truth before the spirits of all my honorable ancestors and I call them to see. I have seen the man with diseased hands and his war party of social workers and greedy Wasichus. They snatch our babies to break our spirits. Then they say, because we are broken arrows we cannot see straight and we cannot have our children in our quiver. I think they raid us that they may get rich by selling our children. Grandfather, you taught me respect and to tell truth; and in your honor and in the name of all the ancient fathers and mothers of the earth I deliver this sad message.

Many Indian children are in danger now. The white men, for their own job securities in a recession and for their love of money are stealing. They are getting money for stealing poor Indian children and they are making false accusations, spreading rumors and disease to capture our children. Did not the civil war teach them a hard lesson? Do they not understand? Thank you for listening and allowing me to speak what is true.

Benaiah Zechariah Levell
May 9, 2010

Lillian Rose Pollock

Congratulations to the new daddy, Gabriel Pollock

We would like to welcome Lillian Rose Pollock to the family.

She arrived on May 19, 2010 weighing 6 lbs. 14 oz.

The journey has just begun. A new life is a blessing. Enjoy!

Love you, Chery, Bash, Jacob, Jonah, Marley, Illi and Gail

Our little girl is finally here!

Farrah Kay Pleets, the daughter of Krista Blackwolf and Boyd Pleets was born at 10:01 a.m. on Monday, May 10, 2010, at OU Medical Center in Oklahoma City, Okla.

She weighed 8 lbs. and 6 oz. and was 20.5 inches long.

Farrah is the baby sister of two older brothers, the late Khristian Pleets and two year old Donovan Pleets.

Maternal grandparents are Donny Blackwolf of McLoud, Okla. and Terrisa Bates of Union City, Okla. Maternal great-grandparents are Dwane and Carol Sanders of Newalla, Okla., Don Blackwolf of Anadarko, Okla., Betty White of Arapaho, Okla. and the late William White.

Paternal grandmother is Jennifer Wood of Shawnee, Okla. Paternal great grandparents are Judy Wood of Shawnee, Okla. and the late Jim Wood.

She is also the neice of Conley and Todd Blackwolf.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy 2nd Birthday Aden Henry Lumpmouth-Sam
Love, mom, dad, Miklyn and Isaiah and papa

Happy Birthday to my daughter Farrah Pleets born May 10, 2010
my brother Conley Blackwolf –May 18
my son Donovan Pleets-
June 9
my dad Donny Blackwolf-
June 13
my angel son Khristian Pleets may you rest in peace-June 19
and my babe Boyd Pleets-June 30
Love,
Krista Blackwolf

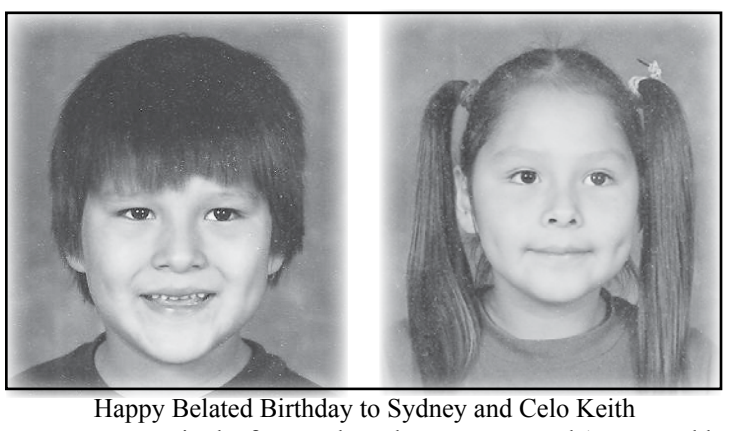
Happy 11th Birthday June Bugs
Marley Jade-June 3
Happy 9th Birthday
Jacob Dewey-June 23
Happy 8th Birthday
Jonah Basil-June 9
We love you so much, mom, dad and Iggy

Congratulations Meagan on your 2010 graduation! We all love you and support you in all you do. Your family and friends

Congratulations
Hayden Campbell
Sheridan-Beartrack
Sacred Heart Catholic School Pre K

The Broken Chain
In Memory of
Carl Dean Bigfoot
We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you. You did not go alone, for part of us went with you the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories. Your love is still our guide; and though we cannot see you, You are always at our side. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same; But as God calls us one by one, the Chain will link again. Gone but never forgotten.

Happy 21st Birthday Andrea Marquez Main!! Also congrats on your 2nd anniversary of wedded bliss! Hope this day is special for you and Aaron. With much love to the both of you, mom and Veronica



Happy Belated Birthday to Sydney and Celo Keith
Here you were in the first grade and now you turned 15 years old on April 27. We love you and are proud of your accomplishments. You are outstanding twins! Both of you are honor students each term, active in sports, respectful and well-balanced teenagers. Your dad has done an outstanding job as a single parent. He has made sure you learned about love, respect, about church and being a christian, along with learning about our ceremonial ways. You remain in our prayers. Love aunt Wanda and family
(Happy belated birthday to my brother Bob-April 9.)

Congratulations
Steven Melendez
We are so proud of you for coming this far and wish you well on your future goals. We love you very much from your aunt Julie and the Crew- Danny, Kendall, Dylan, and Darren.

Good luck Miklyn in all your endeavors. We love you and are so proud of you! Your family

Jordan Lee Soap born April 13, 1992 graduated from Shawnee High School on May 24, 2010. Congratulations Jordan! Love your mom, Mary Shortman, Stacy Haney, your dad John Soap, Jr. and all your family
Us as parents and his teachers believe he is special because he has a pair of wings waiting for him when he returns to his creator.

El Reno Chieftains 1964
Top L-r: Scorp Blackowl, Pete Bailey, Bruce Lumpmouth, Garrett Medsicine Bear, Wesley Meeks, Don "Ducky" Chaino
Bottom l-r: Truman Lumpmouth, Jerry Levi, Solomon Hancock, Leon Lewis and Marvin WhiteShirt

Congratulations Hammon Kindergarten graduates!

Happy 11th Birthday
Aundrea M. Koshiway
June 6
Love from your family

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Lorina Kay
I love you very much!
Love, mom, Patrick, Kirsten and Darian

Happy ?? Birthday Sista! Love you always...Leslie, Janell Jennie, momma Victor Raven and the rest of the cousins nieces, nephews, aunties and uncles. We love you! Hope you reach your goal in education.

Congratulations Khaelyn!
We are all proud of you!Love you, momma, gramma Micki, grampa Chester, aunties Renda, Leslie, Jennie and all your cousins aunties, uncles, sisters and brother. Have a good summer!

We would like to wish our daddy a Happy Fathers Day!
We love you so much
Basil Pollock!
Illianna Breez, Jacob Dewey, Jonah Basil and Marley Jade!

"Dem Champz" aka Teepee Creepers win R.e.sp.e.c.t. Spring Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament (l-r) B.J. Stepp, David Whiteskunk, Sarah Whiteskunk, Donita Phillips, and Kecia Byrd

Happy 9th Birthday
Cameron D. Koshiway
June 6
Love from your family

Happy Birthday dad
Donny Blackwolf
and we won't put how old you are! Haha! Have a good but safe one. Can't wait until you are back with us again. It won't be much longer...we love you dad! Krista, Conley, Toddski,Boyd, Donovan, and Farrah

Happy Belated Birthday Wishes
Lexy Brambila-April 7
Sixto Brambila-April 30
Love ya both, mom

Congratulations
Christian Harding Sheridan
Sacred Heart Catholic School
5th grade graduate

Christopher G. Black
Aug. 15, 1983-
April 28, 2009
Hello daddy! I hope you like the bracelet I gave you and my princess cup. Thats so you don't get thirsty. I had a birthday, wish you were there. I brought you some cake. Hope you liked it. Grandma says she loves me very much. She is going to make me a shawl. Really think of you a lot. Love you, wish you were here.

Hey Mr. Cody Zimmer
A Father means so many things...an understanding heart, a source of strength and of support. Right from the very start a constant readiness to help in a kind and thoughtful way. With encouragement and forgiveness no matter what comes your way. A special generosity and always affection, too. A Father means so many things when he is a man like you!
Thank you for being my daddy!
Happy Fathers Day!
Love, Lylah "Your Bug"
Tall Bear-Sankey

Happy Birthday to auntie "Carrie" Lamebull and Happy 2nd Birthday to Aden Henry Sam
June 18
Love from the Lamebull and Lumpmouth families

Happy 8th Birthday
Dezmon Kayne Hadley
June 3
We love you lots. You are a very special little man and we are very blessed to have you in our lives. Love, grandma, pap, mom, dad, lil' brother, aunties, uncles and cousins

Happy 18th Birthday
Steven Melendez
Have a fun and goofy birthday from your aunt Julie and the crew Danny, Kendall, Dylan and Darren. The time has finally come that you have grown into an awesome young man and graduated at the same time. Congratulations Steven and we hope you have a very happy birthday! Good luck in all that you do and always strive for the best out of life! Look out Marines, here comes the real gamer! Hope all those war games have prepared you for what you are about to embark upon! I am so very proud of you and all you have accomplished. We all love you and wish you the very best. Your mom, grandma, Jacob and Tawny

Congratulations
Allen Frank Sheridan
Darlington Elementary
Kindergarten

"Daddy"
Deforest "Mock" Tall Bear
You held me up when I was weak. You hugged me close when tears I'd weep. When things got hard, you pushed me through. You always showed me you loved me true. I know there were times I made you cry, and to this day, I don't know why. For without you, where would I be? I am thankful God gave you to me. Thanks Dad for you are one in a million. (by) Laura Phipps
We love you very much dad!
Happy Fathers Day!
Love, Malaina, Elijah, Lylah, Margaret, Blaine, Brandy, Baylee, Tori, Mitch, De, Andy, Macey and Little

Happy Birthday
Cecil Richard Gray II-"Jinxie"
June 5, 1978
Your first word was remarkable. To you the world was remarkable! In the first grade you made 100 on your first achievement test. The school needed my permission to test you a second time. You scored 100 again. You were then considered "gifted and talented" throughout your childhood years. You never wanted special attention drawn to yourself. You just wanted to be normal like everybody else. Your mentors wanted you to become a doctor. You said no thank you. You were not interested. I just want to wish you a happy birthday and hope you have many more. I am proud of you, your brothers, sisters and all your accomplishments. I have five beautiful and healthy children and I love you all. Remember to always have the people at heart! Love always your mother Carmen Yellow Eagle Gray

Happy Belated Birthday to my sweetheart, PatrickYou are truly a blessing to me and my family. We love you so much! Love Janelle, Lorina, Kirsten and Darian

Congratulations
Cera "Smiles" Perez
on Graduating! Love mom, dad and little brother, Jesse III
Proud parents are Lena and Jesse Marquez, Jr.

Happy Birthday Skeeter
May 21
Love ya! mom-Christine, Maurisa, Kennesha

To our baby sister, Victoria (Sugz) Johnson.
Happy Belated Birthday from your family in Oklahoma City, Dawn Boyiddle, Nichelle Archuleta and cuz Jeanine Niedo. Love you!

Employment Opportunities

Submit tribal application, resume, diploma, transcripts, valid Oklahoma state driver's license, and CDIB to: Personnel Department P.O. Box 38 Concho, OK 73022 or e-mail: eolguin@c-a-tribes.org

Budget Analyst
Legislative Branch
Closing Date: June 4, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

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SALARY: Negotiable

Coordinator, Title VI
Elder Program
Closing Date: May 31, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

Must be a high school graduate or possess GED certification. At least two years of basic college related courses. Experience in the administration of federally funded programs may substitute for education. Must have a valid Oklahoma driver's license and be insurable. Knowledge of the area and the people preferred. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference. Must pass pre-hire drug screen.

SALARY: Negotiable

Community Health Rep.
El Reno
Closing Date: June 4, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member preference. Possess EMT, medical assistant, CMA or CNA experience. Have Current CPR certification. Valid Oklahoma state driver's license and be insurable under tribal insurance. Must reside in service area. Must pass a physical and be in good physical condition. Must pass basic CHR training and first responder training within one year of employment. Travel required. Maintain GSA vehicle responsibility and mileage reports. Must pass OSBI background check. High school diploma or GED certification required. Must have own reliable vehicle and residential telephone. Must be able to work outside of normal working hours as needed.

SALARY: Negotiable

Admin. Assistant
Gaming Commission
Closing Date: June 8, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

High school diploma or G.E.D. certification. Two years experience as a secretary serving in an executive capacity preferred. Be a U.S. citizen and a minimum of 21 years of age. Possess and maintain a valid driver's license. Complete a background investigation. Not use or possess illegal narcotics or controlled substances. Successfully complete the commission's training program. Adhere to the commission policy prohibiting an employee from gambling or playing any licensed game or gaming device within the Cheyenne Arapaho Tribal lands. Strong work ethic, available to work evenings and weekends.

SALARY: Negotiable

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal offices will be closed Monday, May 31, 2010 in observance of Memorial Day.

Honor a Veteran Today

Community Health Rep.
Kingfisher
Closing Date: June 4, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member preference. Possess EMT, medical assistant, CMA or CNA experience. Have Current CPR certification. Valid Oklahoma state driver's license and be insurable under tribal insurance. Must reside in service area. Must pass a physical and be in good physical condition. Must pass basic CHR training and first responder training within one year of employment. Travel required. Maintain GSA vehicle responsibility and mileage reports. Must pass OSBI background check. High school diploma or GED certification required. Must have own reliable vehicle and residential telephone. Must be able to work outside of normal working hours as needed.

SALARY: Negotiable

Legislative Clerk Assis. II
Legislative Branch
Closing Date: May 31, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

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SALARY: Negotiable

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Closing Date: May 31, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

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SALARY: Negotiable

Compliance Officer
Gaming Commission
Closing Date: June 8, 2010

QUALIFICATIONS:

High school diploma or equivalent required. Regulatory, law enforcement or equivalent experience is desirable. Be U.S. citizen. Be a minimum of 21 years of age. Possess and maintain a valid driver's license. Complete a background investigation, which includes personal history, criminal history, driving record, credit rating, employment references, and satisfy the suitability standards established by the commission for key employees and primary management officials. Not use or possess illegal narcotics or controlled substances. Successfully complete the commission's training program. Adhere to the commission policy prohibiting an employee from gambling or playing any licensed game or gaming device within the Cheyenne Arapaho Tribal lands. Strong work ethic, available to work evenings and weekends.

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CATC	1121	4801	College Success	T	1:00 – 1:50 PM
CATC	1121	4802	College Success (Inter Active Video Course)	R	5:15 – 6:05 PM
CATC	1204	4803	Cheyenne Language I (Receiving Site)	MW	5:15 – 7:00 PM
CATC	1254	4804	Arapaho Language I (Receiving Site)	MW	5:15 – 7:00 PM
CATC	1402	4805	C&A Constitution (Inter Active Video Course)	M	7:10 – 8:40 PM
CATC	1415	4811	Cinematography	ARR	
CATC	1415L	4812	Cinematography Lab	ARR	
CATC	2123	4810	Intro. Tribal Administration (Receiving Site)	R	6:15 – 8:40 PM
CATC	2123	4809	Tribal Government I (Receiving Site)	R	6:15 – 8:40 PM
CATC	2203	4806	American Indians Today (Receiving Site)	T	5:15 – 7:40 PM
CATC	2603	4807	C&A History	T	5:15 – 7:40 PM

For additional information contact:

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Traditional Cheyenne artist Gordon Yellowman, Sr named 2010 Red Earth Honored One

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK – Gordon Yellowman Sr., of El Reno, OK, wears many hats. He is a father, husband, tribal chief, administrator, artist, educator, historian and community leader.

Yellowman will be recognized as the 2010 Red Earth Festival Honored One during the 24th annual Red Earth Native American Cultural Festival scheduled June 18-20, 2010 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City.

Since its inception in 1987, Red Earth, Inc the non-profit organization with a mission to promote the rich traditions of American Indian arts and cultures through education, a premier festival, museum and fine art markets, has selected a Native American master visual artist whose support of Indian art has been substantial throughout his or her life for this annual recognition.

Gordon Yellowman, Sr., a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, joins an impressive list of 29 Native American artists recognized with the prestigious award including Jereldine Redcorn, Allan Houser, Archie Blackowl, Mildred Cleghorn, Doc Tate Nevequaya, Mavis Doering, Enoch Kelly Haney, Mike Larsen, Harvey Pratt and Benjamin Harjo, Jr.

"Gordon is an outstanding artist, citizen, and an Oklahoma role model for all people," said Dr. Mary Jo Watson, director of the School of Art and Art History at the University of Oklahoma.

"One of the most important aspects of his life is his service to his tribe, and the greater Oklahoma Indian community. "It is through color and art that Gordon has made significant artistic contributions to enrich the culture of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, through Red Earth and many other museums across the nation," said Watson. "He seamlessly follows the role of Cheyenne artists of the past 100 years, and is an expert at drawing, graphic design and painting – many times presenting scenes of Cheyenne life composed in a ledger style of his ancestors."Yellowman has a vast knowledge of tribal history. His late father, Everett H. Yellowman, was a principal chief of the traditional peacemakers of the Cheyenne known as the Council of Forty-Four. Yellowman was honored at the age of 16 by his selection to be a Cheyenne Peace Chief. He now serves as one of the Four Principal Chiefs of his Tribe. Yellowman is an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Art at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, and has lectured at the University of Oklahoma in art history classes. He shares his knowledge with students inside and outside of the classrooms. Yellowman has received awards in the Red Earth juried art competition in 2001, 2004, 2007 and 2008. He is a recipient of the Native American

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Gordon Yellowman

Cultural Heritage Award presented by the Denver Museum of Nature and Science and has been a guest curator of art exhibits at the Denver Art Museum and the Field Museum in Chicago. His community service includes being a member of the Smithsonian Repatriation Review Committee at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C., and as is a consultant for the Pamplin Museum in Portland Oregon. His is also a member of the Native American Advisory Committee at the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History at the University of Oklahoma. Yellowman will display his art during the 24th Annual Red Earth Festival June 18-20, 2010 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City.

The organization will present him with the 2010 Red Earth Honored One award during special 7 p.m. ceremonies on Saturday, June 19, 2010 in the Cox Convention Center Arena.

For more than 30 years, the 501 (c) 3 non-profit Red Earth, Inc has been recognized as the region's premier organization for advancing the understanding and continuation of Native American traditional and contemporary culture and arts.

The Red Earth Museum and Gallery, at 6 Santa Fe Plaza in downtown Oklahoma City, hosts a diverse and changing schedule of traveling exhibitions and is custodian of a permanent collection of more than 1,400 items of fine art, pottery, basketry, textiles and beadwork – including the Deupree Cradleboard Collection, one of the finest individual collections of its kind in North America.

For more information about the Red Earth Festival visit www.redearth.org.

CATC CORNER

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College

By Henrietta Mann, President

The four-person staff of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College (CATC) is taking a break from classes this summer and is looking forward to enjoying the powwow season beginning with the Red Moon powwow.

The process is underway to determine who may have completed an associate's degree this year with graduation usually held in conjunction with the Colony Labor Day powwow. Institutions of higher education must continuously be in forward thinking mode and staff is already engaged in planning for the 2010-11 academic year. CATC course offerings for the 2010 Autumn Semester CATC have been decided and scheduled for some time. Please refer to the fall class schedule again being published in this edition of the Tribal Tribune.

CATC attempts to meet the needs of its students by offering its courses via interactive television (ITV), also called distance education. ITV allows courses to be sent to multiple, remote sites with students participating in class lectures and interacting with students at other sites. For example, two CATC courses for the Tribal Administration Degree are being taught by one instructor from the Wichita Housing Center in Anadarko and another from the Adult Learning Center in Carnegie. Students are there on site with the instructor and the courses also are sent to other students at the Weatherford and El Reno sites. In addition to these two sites, other instructors teach from Hammon, El Reno, Oklahoma City, and Weatherford. This fall CATC plans to have another site at the Housing Authority Office in Clinton.

ITV is a wonderful educational tool and is a creative way to maximize tribal college resources. The only limitation is available special equipment and a fixed site, such as an education center or high school. CATC course offerings begin at 5:15 p.m. or later, which allows the working adult to take courses after work.

Anyone wishing to get more information or enroll in the tribal college can call (580) 774-3742 or (580) 774-3139 or send an email to gail.wilcox@swosu.edu. Of course, interested individuals can drop by the CATC offices located at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford, Old Science Building, Basement, Suite 104. Office hours are 8 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Please explore the educational opportunities offered at your tribal college where you can come to learn about who you are.

The Feather Warrior-Canton Casino renovation grand opening held May 13, 2010 in Canton, Okla.

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living the good life

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Submitted photo

Curtis said.

Curtis has never driven a vehicle, never owned a driver's license, but could out ride any one on a horse.

"I would fight the boys at school and I loved to ride horses … I could out ride anyone around," Curtis laughingly said.

She said her mother would send her to school with the type of dresses that tied in the back and she would come home with the sash ripped and she would be dirty from head to foot from fighting the boys.

"Brownie was my horse and I would ride him at powwows," Curtis said.

Curtis was the Arapaho Princess in 1943 when she was 16 years old.

"My mother made me a beautiful white buckskin dress to wear and I would go with my aunt and uncle, Kate and David Meat. We would all ride in the back of the big truck … that was fun," Curtis said.

Curtis's best friend growing up was Jean Hagler. She said every week she would wait for Sunday when her father would take her to Hagler's house to visit.

"Her mother would make a white cake with icing on it and we would play in this hay chute, it was so much fun … we had a nice life you know … we didn't worry about nothing, we played, we were loved, yeah we lived a good life," Curtis said.

Curtis finished high school at the Haskell Boarding School and began to work for a movie company.

"My sister had moved away to Seattle after she got married and my mother said I had to stay close to home after I graduated," Curtis said. "But I got to go places with the movie company I worked for. They had made a movie called, I think, Black Gold and we would go advertise the movie for them. I was in a parade in Salt Lake City, Utah once."

Curtis waited until she was 26 years old before meeting Jerome Hummingbird, Kiowa, at the Anadarko powwow and they had a son together, Anthony (Tony) Hummingbird.

"He was Kiowa, 24 years old and I was 26 … we had one son, Anthony (Tony) Hummingbird, but we split up when Tony was three months old."

Curtis and her son, Tony, moved back to Carlton with her parents.

"I was living with my parents when Richard "Hoot" Curtis heard I was back and he started coming over," Curtis said. "I had known Hoot from working at the Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Clinton, Okla. years before. He was good looking and pretty soon we were married. They remained married for over 27 years before his death.

Curtis moved to Wichita, Kansas where her husband was employed as an airplane mechanic with Boeing.

Curtis and Hoot had three children together, Edward Curtis (deceased), Joni Curtis and Gina Curtis Cheromiah.

"I stayed at home with all my kids until Gina, the youngest, went off to school. By then we had moved to Enid, Okla. and that's where they grew up," Curtis said.

Curtis went to work in Enid for the State School where she retired. She suffered a stroke shortly after retiring.

"I always wanted my children to have a good life, like I had a good life … a sense of humor, a lot of love … I am so proud of my daughters, they work so hard. I wanted all my children to live the good life like I had," Curtis said.

Curtis has four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

"We used to go to amusement parks and go swimming at the river and fishing," Joni Curtis, daughter, said. "We did everything together and I love hearing all the stories she tells."

Elders Day Out
Inviting Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribal Elders!
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Transportation Schedule
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Geary-Community Bldg. 9:00 am
Hammon-Community Bldg. 8:00 am
Clinton-Homeland Grocery Store 8:30 am
Sailing-Shell Gas Station 9:00 am
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